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(X) Also enclosed are 11 sheets of formal drawings

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AMENDMENT TO OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 11, 2001

In response to the Office Action dated April 11, 2001, please enter and consider the following remarks:

REMARKS

First, the Examiner has objected to FIG. 14A and 15. Applicant is submitting herewith a set of formal drawings for the present application. It is respectfully submitted that the objections to FIGS. 14A and 15 will be addressed by the formal drawings.

Claims 1, 16-18, 20 and 23-28 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(a) as being unpatentable over USP 5,038,812 to Norman ("Norman"). Claims 19, 21 and 22 also stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Norman and one or more other references. These rejections are respectfully traversed.

Pending claims 1 and 16-28 were copied from claims 1-14 of U.S. Patent No. 5,411,046 (serial number 08/017,070). During the prosecution of the '046 patent, the Examiner had also cited Norman against all of these claims, and these claims were ultimately deemed to be allowable over Norman. Attached herewith are copies of Amendments dated February 17, 1994 and October 13, 1994 from the file history of the '046 patent which evidence the citation of Norman. As a result, Applicant respectfully submits that pending claims 1 and 16-28 are also allowable over Norman.

The Examiner had also raised a few obviousness-type double patenting rejections.